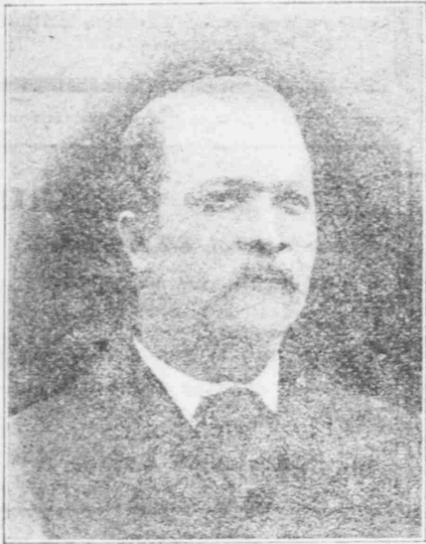


HON. JOHN E. BUSH,

Receiver of Public Monies at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mr. John E. Bush the receiver of public monies at Little Rock, Ark., is one of the most active and influential young men in the state of Arkansas. He was appointed to the present place by the late President Wm McKinley after a hotly contested fight in which were many strong candidates for the place. He has filled the office with so much satisfaction that all of the bankers and business men of Little Rock has given



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him their heartiest and fullest endorsement for a second term. He was just recently unanimously nominated by the Republican State Central Committee of Arkansas to succeed himself and no higher compliment can be paid than this the endorsement of the whole republican organization of his state. Judge M. W. Gibbs is a U. S. Consul to Madagascar and a member of the Republican State Central Committee called on President Roosevelt last Monday in the interest of Mr. Bush and was pleased with his interview. Mr. Bush's opposition is a Mr. Matthews a political acrobat who went to Arkansas as a republican but joined the democrats and was repudiated by them. It is said that he is using cold storage endorsements to secure the appointment.

Mr. Bush is a native of Arkansas, was reared and educated in the state. He has been in public life since early childhood and represents the highest type of his race. He is a republican of the sterling quality and has been a delegate to the National Republican Convention for the past sixteen years. He taught school and did considerable newspaper work before accepting his first federal appointment.

THE ANNUAL BANQUET OF V. V. V. CLUB.

Charlottesville, Va., Special—The annual banquet of the V. V. V. Club was held at the Odd Fellows' Hall, Thursday night, the 9th inst. The hall was beautifully decorated and under green palms, and the sweet strains of music the night was spent until the wee small hours of morn. The banquet was served by one of our leading caterers, Mr. W. H. Dabney at his cafe on West Main St. The costumes worn by the ladies were resplendent in style and beauty and the 13th annual surpassed all prev.

ious efforts along this line. Among those present were: Mr. C. H. Brown president, with Miss Bettie James, Mr. J. P. Fleming vice president, with Mrs. Fleming, Mr. W. H. Smith secretary with Mrs. Smith, Mr. P. Y. Wyatt treasurer, with Mrs. Wyatt, Mr. Wm. Irving sergeant at arms, with Mrs. Irving and Mrs. Mayo, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wayland, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Angel, Mr. J. H. Dickinson with Miss Minnie Ferrell, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brown, Mr. C. H. Cary with Miss Annie Burns, Mr. E. B. Allen with Miss Ethel Brown, Mr. R. E. Wood with Miss Belle Evans, Mr. C. M. Taylor with Miss Annie Bryant, Mr. S. L. Bundy with Mrs. Alice Minor, Mr. A. Cary with Miss Susie Buckner, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dabney, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cosby, Misses Mary Buckner, Susie Fleming, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Harkins, Messrs. Thomas Sellers, J. S. Shelton, A. Sellers, John E. Thomas, A. Brooks, chaperones, Mesdames John West, K. V. Lage and L. G. Brown.

MR. CLARENCE C. WHITE,

Some Interesting Facts Concerning the Achievements of One of the Race's Brightest Musicians.

In the bright galaxy of young musicians whose genius has impressed the popular mind none shines with more resplendent glory than Mr. Clarence C. White. Accomplished, yet modest, ap



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Violin Virtuoso.

preciated, yet striving for betterment honored, yet losing nothing of painstaking earnestness, Mr. White has won an enduring place in the annals of the arena of melody. From early youth he manifested a keen desire for music, and after a period of preliminary training in Washington, he entered the famous Conservatory of Music at Oberlin, where he at once took high rank. He graduated a year or more ago, and in a class of 183, all white except himself, he led easily and was chosen as class representative, scoring a pronounced triumph by his scholarly rendition of S. Coleridge Taylor's "Gypsy Song."

Since graduation, Mr. White has appeared in many of the metropolitan cities of the country, including Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Toledo, and at each point met with a warm reception. A marked triumph was his appearance at a grand concert and organ recital at Carnegie Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa., being the first colored artist

to be invited before the cultured audiences that attend that magnificent temple. Later, he became a member of the faculty of the Avery College, Allegheny City, Pa. which position he recently resigned to embark upon the broader field of concert work. Time has been booked for him in St. Louis, Chicago, Louisville, Memphis, Atlanta and other cities and the future offers a vista full of promise for this talented young man. He is indeed worthy of any honor that the best communities can bestow.

"GO TO"

For The Colored American.

"Bill" Shakespeare often said "Go to —" But where he'd never tell, And though he did not name the place 'Tis plain that he meant—well, Though William used some parts of speech, That shocked folks quite a bit, He never overstepped his bounds, And knew just where to quit.

A. G. D.

Music and Progress at St. Augustine Church.

The music at St. Augustine's Church, was exceptionally fine last Sunday. The Rev. Fathers in charge take special interest in the choir. Their love and appreciation for music acts as an incentive to work. The rehearsals and services on Sunday are attended by all the members of the choir, which proof alone shows their heart is in the work. The choir will sing a carefully selected programme every Sunday. Mr. Bernardine Smith, the Librarian of the Choir, is a violinist of talent and exceptional cultivation, being one of the late Mr. Roy's favorite pupils. Mr. Smith will play solo and obligato work every Sunday. The choir is composed of two solo quartettes and a chorus of forty voices. Mrs. J. Esputa Daly, Director, Miss M. Mullaly, organist. The annual statement of the Parish has gone to press. It will be read out in church and distributed to the congregation on Sunday February 21.

Mr. Arnett at Second Baptist Lyceum.

Mr. Henry Y. Arnett, late of the office of Recorder of Deeds, prominent factor in Ohio politics and a writer and speaker of conceded ability will be the speaker tomorrow at 3.30 p. m. at the Second Baptist Lyceum. His theme will be "The Power of the Press," a subject of wide popular interest. Time will be allowed for discussion. Musical selections will be rendered by Prof. Clarence C. White and Miss Beatrice Warrick. All are cordially invited.

Blind Tom No. 2.

Blind Tom number two is in town and is a musical prodigy. He hails from Atlanta, Ga. and is said to be the equal of the original blind Tom. He played at the late President McKinley's church last Sunday evening and delighted that large and cultured congregation. He will be pleased to make arrangements with any churches, clubs or societies for an entertainment. Call or address M. J. Pleasant, 303 H street southwest.

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